

Top Natural Attractions 2005

Attraction	Attendance 2005	Attendance 2004	Address	City, Zip	Telephone	Web	Admission	Days and Times	Description
Grand Canyon National Park	4,470,232	4,672,911	P.O. Box #129	Grand Canyon 86023	928-638-7888	www.nps.gov/grca	\$25 per vehicle, North Rim closed in winter	Open all year, North Rim closed in winter.	One of the Seven Natural Wonders of the World, 2 billion years of geological history etched on the canyon walls
Saguaro National Park	3,629,550	3,601,775	3693 S. Old Spanish Trail	Tucson 85730	520-733-5100	www.nps.gov/sagu	\$10 per vehicle; \$5 per bicycle/walk-ins at both districts	Visitor Centers open daily 9am-5pm, closed Christmas Day; park scenic drives open daily 7am - sunset.	Preservation of scenic Sonoran Desert flora & fauna and associated mountains, elevation changes from 3,000 to 8,600 feet above sea level.
South Mountain Park	2,500,000	2,500,000	10919 S. Central Ave.	Phoenix 85042	602-495-0222	www.phoenix.gov/parks	None	Daily 5:00am - 11:00 pm.	Largest municipal park in the world, with approximately 16,000 acres of pristine lower Sonoran desert with miles of trails.
Glen Canyon National Recreation Area	1,928,274	1,861,773	691 Scenic View Drive	Page 86040	928-608-6200	www.nps.gov/glca	7-day entrance fee is now \$15/vehicles. Annual pass is \$30/vehicle.	Year-round	National park area on AZ/UT border containing Lake Powell and Rainbow Bridge Natl. Monument. Lake Powell is 186 miles long with 1,900+ miles of shoreline.
Lake Mead National Recreation Area**	1,426,915	1,717,975	601 Nevada Way	Boulder City, NV 89005	702-293-8990	www.nps.gov/lame	Entrance fee \$5-8 day pass, annual fee \$20, lake use fee \$10-5 day pass or \$20 annually	Park always open. Visitors center open daily 8:30am - 4:30 pm, closed Dec. 25th, Thanksgiving, and New Years.	Two man-made lakes (Mead and Mohave), surrounded by nearly 1,000 miles of shoreline at full pool, provides a recreation outlet for millions of visitors to boat, fish, swim, ski, sail, hike or camp in Arizona and Nevada.
Canyon de Chelly	900,000	936,007	3 miles East of Junction 191 on Navajo Route #7	Navajo Nation	928-674-5500	www.nps.gov/cach	Free	Open Daily 8am - 5pm, closed December 25th.	Ruins of ancient Anasazi Indian villages, home to Navajo Indians, sheer red sandstone walls, great birding, large watershed restoration project underway, canyon bottom farming and grazing.
Montezuma Castle National Monument	622,912	656,409	P.O. Box #219	Camp Verde 86322	928-567-3322	www.nps.gov/moca	\$5 per adult, free admission for 15 and younger	Daily 8am - 5pm, 8am - 6pm Memorial Day to Labor Day .	800 yr. old, five-story, 20 room cliff dwelling overlooks Beaver Creek as it stands 100 ft above floor of Verde Valley.
Petrified Forest National Park	598,498	580,000	P. O. Box #2217	Petrified Forest 86028	928-524-6228	www.nps.gov/pefo	\$10 per car	Daily 8am - 5pm, extended summer hours, closed Dec. 25th.	A land of spectacular scenery where a 225 million year old forest has turned into stone.
Coronado National Forest and Sabino Canyon Recreation Area*	594,278	1,500,000	5700 N. Sabino Canyon Rd.	Tucson 85750	520-749-8700	www.fs.fed.us/rs/coronado	\$5, Annual Pass: \$20 also honored at Madera Canyon rec. area & Cave Creek in the Chiricahua Mountains.	Daily 8:30am - 4:30pm, except Dec. 25th and Thanksgiving.	National Forest Recreation Area includes a variety of hiking trails, interpretive walks for visitors and school groups and scenic shuttle set amidst canyon studded with saguaro cacti "forest," and Sabino Creek.
Lake Pleasant Regional Park	500,754	589,937	15 miles West of I-17 on Carefree Highway		602-372-7460	http://www.maricopa.gov/parks/ lake_pleasant/	Park entrance fee is \$5.00 per vehicle and \$2.00 per watercraft. Additional fees are required for individual and group campsites.	Year Round, 24-hours a day.	Lake Pleasant Regional Park offers camping, boating, fishing, swimming and picnicking along with various group activities, special events and educational programs.
Lake Havasu State Park	316,684	384,928	1801 Highway 95 Lake Havasu City 86406	Lake Havasu City, 86403	928-855-2784	www.azstateparks.com	Day use: \$9 per vehicle (1-4 adults), Nightly camping: \$14-\$25	Ranger station - sunrise to 10:00PM, Visitors can self-pay if they arrive outside of business hours.	With 45 miles of scenic shoreline, it's an ideal place to enjoy beautiful beaches, nature trails, boat ramps, and convenient campsites.
Organ Pipe Cactus National Monument	308,832	185,739	10 Organ Pipe Dr.	Ajo 85321	520-387-6849	www.nps.gov/orpi	Entrance fees \$8/vehicle, including motorcycles, 7days,\$4 single walk-in or bicyclist. Camping fee \$12 per night.	Daily 8am-5pm. Closed on major federal holidays April thru December. Open every day January-March.	Geographic heart of the Sonoran Desert, home to 28 species of cacti, lush desert vegetation and spectacular mountain scenery. Hiking, camping, driving tours available.
Monument Valley Navajo Tribal Park	303,277	N/A	4 miles E. Hwy 163 AZ/UT Stateline	Monument Valley 84536	435-727-5874		\$5 per person over 10 years old	May - Sept 6am -9pm, Oct - April 8am - 5pm.	Mammoth monoliths and rock spires located deep within the Navajo reservation.
Slide Rock State Park	243,489	254,584	6871 W HWY 89A	Sedona, 86336	928-282-3034	www.azstateparks.com	\$8.00 per vehicle (1-4 adults); Friday before Memorial Day through the Tuesday after Labor Day - \$10.00 per vehicle (1-4 adults)	Spring/fall 8am - 6pm summer 8am - 7pm, winter 8am - 5pm.	Natural rock waterslide in Oak Creek, Historic Pendley Homestead, apple orchard, hiking along creek and Hospital Canyon, and picnicking.
Sunset Crater Volcano National Monument	229,913	138,911***	18 miles north of downtown	Flagstaff, on U.S. 89	928-526-0502	www.nps.gov/sucr	\$5 per person 16 yrs. and older.	Visitor center open 9am - 5 pm. Hours may be extended in summer. Closed Dec. 25.	Arizona's most recent volcano, a cindercone. Walk a 1 mile Lava Flow Trail to view the volcanic field and formations.
Wupatki National Monument	226,010	254,503	40 miles north of Flagstaff on US 89	Outside of Flagstaff	928-679-2365	www.nps.gov/wupa/	\$5 per person, under 16 free	Daily 8am - 5pm except Dec. 25th, extended summer hours.	Six prominent architectural sites, pueblo dwellings built by ancestral Puebloan groups (Cohonina, Sinagua, and Kayenta-Anasazi).
Meteor Crater	221,378	215,933	Flagstaff on Interstate 40	Outside of Flagstaff	928-289-5898	www.meteorcrater.com	\$15 adults, \$13 seniors, \$6 children ages 6-17, 5 and under free	Memorial Day to Labor Day 7am to 7pm, rest of the year 8am to 5pm, closed Dec. 25th.	Giant, 550 foot deep meteorite crater created 50,000 yrs ago, interactive learning center.

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Patagonia Lake State Park	184,715	204,636	400 Patagonia Lake Road	Patagonia 85624	520-287-6965	www.azstateparks.com	\$7.00 per vehicle (1-4 adults); Holidays and weekends Friday before Memorial Day through the Tuesday after Labor Day - \$8.00; Camping \$12.00-\$25.00	8:00AM-10:00PM - access is closed 10:00PM to 4:00AM	This 2.5 mile long lake is filled with bass, crappie, bluegill, & catfish and offers water-skiing (restrictions), camping, boat rentals, picnicking, hiking and birding.
Kartchner Caverns State Park	179,129	203,464	2980 Route South 90 Benson 85602	Nine miles south of I-10, off State Hwy 90, exit 302	520-586-4100 Cave Reservations: 520-586-2283	www.azstateparks.com	Day use fee: \$5 per vehicle (1-2) adults, \$2 each additional adult, \$2 individual/bicycle. Nightly camping fee: \$22. Cave Tour Tickets Rotunda/Throne Room: ages 0-6 free, ages 7-13 \$9.95, ages 14 & up \$18.95. Big Room: ages 0-6 not permitted, ages 7-13 yr \$12.95, ages 14 & up \$22.95.	Open daily from 7:30am to 6pm, tour reservations recommended, call for ticket information.	World class pristine cave, Visitors center with interactive displays, video and gift shop, outside are hiking trails and campground.
Tohono Chul Park	175,238	150,000	7366 N. Paseo del Norte	Tucson 85704	520-742-6455	www.tohonochulpark.org	\$5.00 Adults, \$4 Seniors (62+), \$3 students with valid ID, \$2 children (5-12) Free for members and children under 5	8am to 5pm	Enjoy the serenity and beauty of nature trails and garden walks, the diversity of art and cultural exhibits, educational programs, Tea Room dining and shopping in the Museum shops and Greenhouse. Listed as one of the Top 22 Secret Gardens in US and Canada by National Geographic Traveler. Also designated as an Arizona State Treasure.
Colossal Cave Mountain Park	155,000	150,000	16721 East Old Spanish Trail	Vail, 85641	520-647-7275	www.colossalcave.com	For Cave Tours:\$8.50 adults, \$5.00 children plus \$5.00 per car park admission	Open every day, hours vary seasonally.	Beautiful 2,400 acre desert park, on the National Historic Register, showcasing crystal-filled Colossal Cave and historic La Posta Quemada Ranch, tours, museums, trail rides.
Catalina State Park	130,088	N/A	11570 N. Oracle Road	Tucson, 85737	520-628-5798	www.azstateparks.com	Wed after Labor day through Thursday before Memorial Day- \$6.00 per vehicle (1-4 adults); Friday before Memorial Day through the Tuesday after Labor Day - \$3.00 per vehicle (1-4 adults)	Day use 5:00AM to 10:00PM; Visitor Center open 8:00AM to 5:00PM	Catalina State Park, at the base of Mt. Lemmon and the Santa Catalina Mountains, enjoy camping under the desert skies, hiking through canyons and streams, picnicking, and bird watching.
Walnut Canyon National Monument	128,275	127,411	Walnut Canyon rd. #3	Flagstaff 86004	928-526-3367	www.nps.gov/waca	\$5 per person, age 16 and older	Monument is open 9am to 5pm. Hours may be extended in summer. Closed Dec. 25.	800+ year old cliff dwellings within the steep walls and deep gorge of Walnut Canyon.
Tuzigoot National Monument	108,830	115,321	P.O. Box #219	Camp Verde 86322	928-634-5564	www.nps.gov/tuzi	\$3 per adult, free admission for 16 and younger	Daily 8am-5pm, 8am-6pm Memorial Day to Labor Day, closed Dec. 25th.	Remnant of a prehistoric Sinagua village built between 1125 & 1400 crowns the summit of a ridge that rises 120 feet above the Verde Valley.
Picacho Peak State Park	107,649	N/A	I-10, Exit 219	Picacho, 75241	520-466-3183	www.azstateparks.com	\$6.00 per vehicle (1-4 adults): Friday before Memorial Day-Tuesday after Labor Day - \$3.00 per vehicle	8:00AM-10:00PM	Prominent Picacho Peak State Park defines the desert skyline. Trails wind up the peak and often, in the spring, overlook a sea of wildflowers. An annual Civil War re-enactment is held to commemorate the most significant battle in Arizona.
Cattail Cove State Park	99,309	N/A	P.O. 1990	Lake Havasu City, 86405	928-855-1223	www.azstateparks.com	\$9.00 per vehicle (1-4 adults)	Open 365 days per year. Contact station: Sun-Thurs 8:00AM-4:00PM, Fri-Sat 8:00AM-9:00PM, Self-pay available for after business hours	The park offers a lakeside campground, a large boat ramp, and many boat-access campsites along the shores of Lake Havasu. Sail on the blue waters into quiet coves, or water or jet ski out on the open lake.
Casa Grande Ruins National Monument	97,214	92,639	1100 Ruins Drive	Coolidge 85228	520-723-3172	www.nps.gov/cagr	Over 15 yrs old \$5 per person, over 62 yrs old w/ Golden Age Passport entrance is free	Daily 8am - 5pm except Dec. 25th.	Pre-historic Native American village and Great House built 1100-1350 A.D. by early farmers, archaeologist now call the Hohokam.
Lost Dutchman State Park	91,198	N/A	6109 N. Apache Trail	Apache Junction, 85219	480-982-4485	www.azstateparks.com	\$5.00 per vehicle (1-4 adults) Friday before Memorial Day thorough the Tuesday after Labor Day - \$3.00 per vehicle	Contact station: 8:00AM-5:00PM, Self-pay option available for visitors who arrive outside of business hours	Several trails lead from the park into the rugged Superstition Mountains. From the campground and picnic areas you can admire the scenic beauty by day and the lights of Phoenix by night.
Dead Horse Ranch State Park	91,174	N/A	675 Dead Horse Ranch Rd.	Cottonwood, 86326	928-634-5283	www.azstateparks.com	\$6.00 per vehicle (1-4 adults)	365 days per year; Contact station: 8:00AM-5:00PM	Located in the town of Cottonwood, this is the only state park in the Verde Valley where visitors can enjoy camping, fishing, hiking, equestrian activities, the lush riparian habitat, and abundant wildlife.
Tonto National Bridge State Park	88,597	N/A	10 miles north of Payson, Hwy 87	Payson, 85547	928-476-4202	www.azstateparks.com	Ages 0-13 - free, Ages 14-16 - \$3.00	Memorial Day-Labor Day 8:00AM-7:00PM; April, Sept, Oct - 8:00AM -6:00PM; Nov-Mar 9:00AM-5:00PM	View from atop or hike underneath the world's largest natural travertine bridge. Tour the historic lodge located in the grassy meadow above the bridge, picnic among the pines in the tiny valley.
Buckskin Mountain State Park	86,587	N/A	5476 Hwy 95	Parker, 85344	928-667-3231	www.azstateparks.com	\$8.00 per vehicle (1-4 adults)	Ranger station - 8:00AM to 4:30PM; self-pay station for visitors who arrive at other times	The area is a popular location for boating, fishing, jet skiing, swimming, and camping amidst a backdrop of beautiful mountains. Visitors can also hike to the beautiful panoramic overlooks.

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Boyce Thompson Arboretum State Park	85,000	70,900	#37615 U.S.Hwy. 60	Superior 85273	520-689-2811	http://arboretum.ag.arizona.edu	\$7.50 adults, \$3 children ages 5-12	Admission daily from 8am-5pm. Summer hours: May-Aug 31st 6 am – 3 pm (closed Dec. 25).	320-acre collection of plants from deserts around the world, traversed by two miles of walking paths. Visitor center, picnic area, leashed and well-behaved pets are welcome.
Red Rock State Park	74,532	N/A	4050 Red Rock Loop Rd.	Sedona, 86336	928-282-6907	www.azstateparks.com	\$6.00 per vehicle (1-4 adults)	Oct-Mar 8:00AM-5:00PM, Apr 8:00AM-6:00PM, May-Aug 8:00AM-8:00PM, Visitor Center: Sept-Apr 9:00AM-5:00PM, May-Aug 9:00AM-6:00AM	The park is surrounded by the natural beauty of Sedona’s red rocks as Oak Creek meanders through the park and provides visitors the opportunity to experience a lush riparian habitat, an interactive education center, and a 5-mile network of trails.
Yuma Prison State Historic Park	56,570	N/A	100 N. Prison Hill Rd.	Yuma, 85364	928-783-4771	www.azstateparks.com	Ages 0-13 free; Ages 14 & up \$4.00	8:00AM-5:00PM. Closed at 2:00PM on Thanksgiving Day & Christmas Eve. Closed on Christmas Day	Visitors can walk through the actual strap iron cells and solitary chamber of the Arizona Territory’s first prison. Visit the museum to see photographs and colorful exhibits.
The Nature Conservatory's Ramsey Canyon Preserve	26,996	20,000	70 Miles Southeast of Tucson	Exit #302 of I-10	520-378-2785	www.nature.org/arizona	\$5.00 per person, Cochise County residents and TNC members \$3.00	March - October: 8am to 5pm, Nov. - Feb: 9am to 4pm. Closed Tue and Wed for Nov. – Jan.	Renowned for its diversity of it's plant and animal life, including 14 species of hummingbirds, hiking trails.
Hubbell Trading Post National Historic Site	N/A	134,992	P.O. Box #150	Ganado 86505	928-755-3475	www.nps.gov/hutr	Charge for tour of the Hubbell Home. Regular tour, \$2.00 per person, Golden Age \$1.00, children under 17 years old are free.	All days except X-Dec. 25th. From Oct - April: 8am - 5pm, the park observes Daylight Savings Time, April - Oct, so they are one hour ahead of AZ time.	Oldest active trading post on Navajo Nation, weaving demonstrations, tours of Hubbell home, Native American arts auctions in the Spring and Fall.
Navajo National Monument	N/A	65,246	9 miles north of AZ Highway 564/ HC 71, Box 3	Tonolea 86044	928-672-2700	www.nps.gov.nava	No fee for entrance, tours or camping	Daily 8am - 5pm, Except Dec. 25th, Thanksgiving, and New Years Day.	Features the largest cliff dwellings in Arizona, museum, visitor center, campground, picnic area, short trails, gift shop, and bookstore. Arts and crafts demonstrators during the summer. The nearest cliff dwelling tour requires a 5 mile hike that is moderately strenuous. Tours of cliff dwellings is seasonal.

*2005 attendance is actual gate numbers; prior years represent an estimated figure.

**Lake Mead NRA visitation counts refer to recreation visits to the park by Arizona park access points.

***Park Visitor center was closed for 3 months in 2004, visitation numbers were not collected during this time.